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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ANN CORNWELL FOR HER THIRTY-
9 FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS A STAFF MEMBER, DIRECTOR,
10 AND SECRETARY OF THE ARKANSAS STATE SENATE.

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13 **Subtitle**

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15 HER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS A
16 STAFF MEMBER, DIRECTOR, AND SECRETARY OF
17 THE ARKANSAS STATE SENATE.

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20 WHEREAS, Ann Cornwell has been a valued employee of the Senate since
21 the Seventy-Third General Assembly in 1981; and

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23 WHEREAS, members of the Senate respect and value the plethora of
24 legislative experience and knowledge of Ann Cornwell, the Director and
25 Secretary of the Senate; and

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27 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell began working as the Senate's journal clerk
28 during the 1981 regular session until she became the Assistant Secretary of
29 the Senate during the 1991 regular session; and

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31 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell served as the Assistant Secretary and Fiscal
32 Officer of the Senate during the 1993 regular session, as the full-time
33 Secretary and Fiscal Officer of the Senate during the 1995 regular session,
34 and as the Secretary of the Senate and Coordinator of Legislative Services
35 during the 2007 regular session; and



1 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has been serving as the Director and
2 Secretary of the Senate since the 2009 regular session and she is the first
3 female to serve the Senate as its director and secretary; and
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5 WHEREAS, the many legislative services provided by the members of the
6 Senate staff under the leadership of Ann Cornwell play a vital role in the
7 daily functions of the Senate; and
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9 WHEREAS, the members of the Senate and all of those who have worked
10 alongside Director Cornwell acknowledge and appreciate her hard work and
11 dedication that enable the Senate to function efficiently; and
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13 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served during the terms of many
14 distinguished Governors, including Governor Frank White, President Bill
15 Clinton, Governor Jim Guy Tucker, Governor Mike Huckabee, and Governor Asa
16 Hutchinson; and
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18 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served the Senate with many notable
19 Lieutenant Governors, including Lieutenant Governor Winston Bryant,
20 Lieutenant Governor Winthrop Paul Rockefeller, Lieutenant Governor Bill
21 Halter, Lieutenant Governor Mark Darr, and Lieutenant Governor Tim Griffin;
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24 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served many influential former state
25 senators, including Governor Mike Beebe, United States Representative Mike
26 Ross, United States Representative Vic Snyder, and State Republican Party
27 Chairman Doyle Webb; and
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29 WHEREAS, during Director Cornwell's 35 years of service as a member of
30 the Senate staff and Director of the Senate, she has willingly and patiently
31 served members of the Senate with a calm and professional demeanor that
32 reflects admirably upon the Senate and brings stability to the chamber; and
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34 WHEREAS, Director Cornwell's kind and effective management of Senate
35 staff has won her great admiration and respect by both permanent and session
36 staff privileged to work under her guidance, many of whom look forward to

1 returning every session because they "love working for Ann"; and

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3 WHEREAS, the members of the Senate recognize and honor the 35 years of
4 exemplary service of Director Cornwell,

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6 NOW THEREFORE,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
8 OF ARKANSAS:

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10 THAT the Senate of the Ninetieth General Assembly recognizes and honors
11 Director Cornwell's 35 years of exemplary service to the Senate, her hard
12 work and dedication, her professionalism and kindness, and her daily efforts
13 to maintain the functions and procedures of the Senate.

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an
16 appropriate copy be provided to Ann Cornwell, Director and Secretary of the
17 Senate.